

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

England & Wales · Charity number 1111146

Details

Other names	STAMFORD & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST LIMITED, STAMFORD AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST LIMITED
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	05267786
Registered	2005-09-01
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: (A) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT AND BELIEFS APPEARING IN THE SCHEDULE HERETO IN LINCOLNSHIRE, LEICESTERSHIRE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE AND RUTLAND AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE DIRECTORS OF THE CHARITY MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT;(B) TO RELIEVE PERSONS WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF NEED OR HARDSHIP OR WHO ARE AGED OR SICK AND TO RELIEVE THE DISTRESS CAUSED THEREBY IN THE SAID LOCATION AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT;(C) TO PROMOTE AND FULFIL SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES BENEFICIAL TO THE COMMUNITY IN THE SAID LOCATION AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT.

Activities: The principle objective of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith. This is achieved through various church activities in the areas of Peterborough & Stamford, the relief of people in need and the support of missionary work.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LINCOLNSHIRE, LEICESTERSHIRE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE AND RUTLAND AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD
- Ethiopia
- Mozambique
- Serbia
- Turkey
- Zimbabwe
- Cambridgeshire
- Lincolnshire
- Peterborough City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£238,515	£233,006	-	-
2023-12-31	£240,453	£269,398	-	-
2022-12-31	£306,531	£353,207	-	-
2021-12-31	£259,116	£245,950	-	-
2020-12-31	£259,779	£196,454	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Simon John Lummis	Chair	2016-10-16
Luke William Sears		2022-06-20
Paul Graham		2016-10-16
Sarah Fiona Lohse		2023-11-21
Stephen John Searle		2019-06-23

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REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

REGISTERED OFFICE	139b Fletton Avenue Peterborough PE2 8BY
REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	05267786
REGISTERED CHARITY	1111146
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles of Association
TRUSTEES	Paul Graham Andrew Kennedy Sarah Lohse Simon Lummis (<i>Chair</i>) Stephen J Searle Luke Sears
OTHER KEY MANAGEMENT (Elders)	Phil Bowyer Luke Sears Sam Tucker Paul Graham
BANKERS	1. Charities Aid Foundation PO Box 289 West Malling Kent ME19 4TA 2. Barclays Bank plc Peterborough Business Centre PO Box 294 Peterborough PE1 1EZ
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Lisa Darby FCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB

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LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The primary aims of the charity are to fulfil the role of a Christian Church in the Peterborough area and to provide help to others in promoting the Christian faith in the United Kingdom and overseas. This is achieved through various church activities in the Peterborough area including providing relief for people in need and the support of missionary work in other parts of the world.

GOVERNANCE

The trustees, who are the charity's directors for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the policy and operating decisions of the church. They also monitor the financial situation monthly and from time to time meet with the core leadership team of the church to review relevant matters. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the Members of the Charity, as defined in our Memorandum & Articles of Association.

Up until 2024, the community projects of the church were operated through Life Community Trust, the trustees of both companies being identical. The business decisions were made totally separately for each company. On 18th December 2023, Life Community Trust effectively ceased trading following the decision by its Trustees to close as a charity and Company Limited by Guarantee (registered number 08536305). On 9th July 2024 Life Community Trust was dissolved as a Company and 22nd July 2024 was removed from the Charity Commissions Central Register of Charities following its closure.

THE CHURCH: ITS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Church is not a building. Rather, it is a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds, whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ were also committed to loving and caring for each other and to bringing blessing to the area in which they lived. Life Church (Central England), its trustees, eldership and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, for it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world whose aims and values are rooted in New Testament. The vision is to see the people of Peterborough and elsewhere come into this experience of knowing Jesus as their Lord, Saviour and friend.

Life Church (Central England) belongs to Relational Mission family of churches, which is also part of the wider New Frontiers family of churches both here in the UK and around the world that share similar values and objectives. We are a member of the Evangelical Alliance.

The trustees take very seriously their responsibilities to ensure the proper management and administration of the charity. To this end, they work closely with the core leadership team, whose responsibility it is to govern the life and teaching of the Church. Strict financial controls are in place and exercised by the trustees, including the monitoring of all income and expenditure against agreed budgets.

In planning the activities the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

CHURCH MEMBERS

Seeing the above aims and objectives fulfilled is impossible without the work and devotion of each Church member. We are therefore especially thankful for all of those who work so conscientiously and sincerely, often privately or behind the scenes and perhaps even without due recognition. Their service and the part they play towards seeing the Church's vision realised cannot be overstated. Also, the Church's financial support is almost entirely down to the generous and sacrificial giving of its members, for which we praise God.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

2024 REVIEW

Each year it is a joy to see how much God does among us and through us as a church family, and 2024 was no different. I am so grateful for the many ways God has cared for us and blessed us and how the church family has selflessly and diligently cared for one another and our communities as we have sought to follow Jesus.

Meeting together

Gathering each Sunday remains a priority to worship God, be encouraged by his word and build one another up. As we meet each Sunday, hiring a large space in the Thomas Deacon Academy school, our attendance has remained around 130 individuals per week, which includes 15-20 primary school aged children, and up to 17 teenagers and 11 preschoolers.

Our mid-week fellowship has had a healthy relaunch during the year, with Life Groups moving to a longer-term continuous model rather than just running term by term. This brings stability to the groups running across the City and beyond, and encourages deeper connections, support & discipleship. Over 100 people committed to a group during the year.

We have also seen a regular flow of visitors and our Belonging Course for new members has been very busy, welcoming in 3 new members during the year and a further 15 ready to be welcomed in 2025. We have also had the great joy of baptising six people - a key step for a believer in following Jesus.

Investing in our congregation

We are very grateful for the great number of volunteers in the church who give of their time and skills to serve others, with around 100 people serving in various roles on and beyond a Sunday. I am very grateful especially to my fellow trustees, our two Sunday Coordinator Deacons and my fellow elders for all their care and hard work.

It was also wonderful to take around a dozen members of the church through a year long teaching and preaching course. And there were many other opportunities for investment into the many gifted individuals we have at Life Church, including our Greenhouse weekend, given to those in the church who carry a leadership role.

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Loving our City

We continued running our Conversation Club, informally teaching English and particularly aimed at asylum seekers and refugees and have really enjoyed building connections with some of the regulars. Our wonderful Life Tots toddler group sadly came to a close over the Summer as its long serving leader, Jackie, retired from her role. We remain open to bringing back a similar service but currently do not have a team to run it.

We also are actively looking into other ways to reach out to our local community, especially Fletton where our building is based. Our heart is to share Jesus with our words and our actions and so continue to pray and look for opportunities to do that.

Mission

We continue to prioritise supporting, both financially and with our time, other churches and church planting initiatives in the UK and abroad. That includes investing in Relational Mission (the family of churches we are part of), something we do every year, and their varied work of planting and strengthening churches across the UK, Europe and beyond. We also have supported Novio Nijmegen (formerly Plant Nijmegen) for the third year and their growth as a new church. Finally, our longstanding relationship with a couple in Zimbabwe has remained a personal connection we have kept.

Beyond that, we also had a Mission Gift day where we raised money for our Zimbabwean friends, some specific Relational Mission initiatives, but also a church plant in Sheppey that we are getting to know well and wanting to support. It has been a joy not just giving money but partnering with many of these individuals and we have lined up many of them to visit the church this year and next to keep those relationships deepening.

Key events

As Relational Mission we had our first UK wide church camp this Summer, where around 1,000 members across our 50 or so churches gathered together to worship, be encouraged and build friendship. We also enjoyed great invitation services over Easter and Christmas, with 190 attending our Christmas event.

Staff team

Our staff team is an important part of achieving all we set out to as a team. Our staff team includes roles to support the eldership team, operations, kids & youth work, discipleship, communications and book-keeping. Other roles are fulfilled by volunteers. A new communications support came on board at the start of the year and has been very helpful.

Looking ahead

As we head into 2025, we are wanting to focus on how we grow as a church family, not just in numbers but in depth and maturity too. We want to put plans into action with reaching out to our city, pray for more baptisms, continue to teach the gospel of Jesus and expect God to work, by His Spirit, each and every day.

Luke Sears, Eldership Team Leader, on behalf of the elders & trustees

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year income decreased by £1,938 to £238,515, and expenditure decreased by £36,392 to £233,006. As a result the deficit was reduced by £34,455, to a surplus of £5,509 and the charity's net assets increased by the same amount. Net current assets decreased by £328, to £200,701. The funds held by the charity at the end of the year totalled £384,075 (2023: £378,566) of which £10,720 (2023: £30,054) was restricted in use.

GRANTS POLICY

Given as deemed appropriate to a range of Christian organisations approved by the Trustees.

RESERVES POLICY

The Board of Trustees has established a policy whereby free reserves held by the charity should be maintained at three months' committed expenditure. This would equate to approximately £60,500. Funds above this level are being held pending plans for church property to be determined in the foreseeable future. The current level of unrestricted cash held is £183,153 (2023: £182,457)

RISK MANAGEMENT

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Any contractual risks are reviewed before being entered into, so as to ensure they could not significantly impact upon the Church's ability to fulfil its objective. The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:


S.Lummis (Sep 2, 2025 11:40:42 GMT+1)

S Lummis (Chair)

Date: Sep 2, 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2024 on pages 7 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 9-10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lisa Darby

Lisa Darby (Sep 3, 2025 11:03:00 GMT+1)

Lisa Darby FCA

For and on behalf of:

Stewardship

1 Lamb's Passage

London

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Date: Sep 3, 2025

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	192,564	25,036	217,600	223,464
Investment income		5,201	-	5,201	3,217
Other trading activities		15,285	-	15,285	13,048
Other income		429	-	429	724
Total Income & endowments		213,479	25,036	238,515	240,453
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	3	189,050	5,621	194,671	202,228
Grants payable	3c	19,508	18,827	38,335	67,170
Total expenditure		208,558	24,448	233,006	269,398
Net income / (expenditure)		4,921	588	5,509	(28,945)
Transfers between funds		(2,755)	2,755	-	-
Net movement in funds		2,165	3,344	5,509	(28,945)
Total funds brought forward		371,190	7,376	378,566	407,511
Total funds carried forward		373,355	10,720	384,075	378,566

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account required by the Companies Act 2006.

Small differences of £1 may appear in these accounts due to rounding issues.

The notes on pages 9 - 14 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	5	183,374	-	183,374	177,537
Current assets					
Debtors due within one year & prepayments	6	12,422	138	12,560	13,215
Debtors falling due after one year	6	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	7	183,153	13,850	197,003	196,200
		<u>195,575</u>	<u>13,988</u>	<u>209,563</u>	<u>209,415</u>
Current Liabilities					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	5,594	3,268	8,861	8,386
Net Current Assets		<u>189,981</u>	<u>10,720</u>	<u>200,701</u>	<u>201,029</u>
Net Assets					
		<u>373,355</u>	<u>10,720</u>	<u>384,075</u>	<u>378,566</u>
Unrestricted Funds				373,355	371,190
Restricted Funds				10,720	7,376
Total Funds	9			<u>384,075</u>	<u>378,566</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st December 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:


S Lummis (Sep 2, 2025 11:40:42 GMT+1)

S Lummis (Chair)
Company number: 05267786

Sep 2, 2025

Date

Charity number: 1111146

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

1. Accounting policies

- a) The accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention, in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014; and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, as there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue. Based on the adequacy of the charity's reserves as at the balance sheet date, along with their knowledge of the charity's ability to meet bills, payments and other liabilities as they fall due, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The following are the accounting policies which have been applied in dealing with material items:-
- b) Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items). Facilities, services and goods donated for the charity's own use are recognised as income when receivable at their value to the charity.

Income from other trading activities represents income receivable from activities undertaken to generate funds for the charity. It includes income generated by the hiring of the Fletton Centre.

Investment income represents income generated by the charity's assets and includes income from bank interest.

The charity has relied significantly upon volunteers in carrying out all of its activities during the year. In accordance with the SORP, the role of volunteers has not been recognised as income from donated services in the accounts.

- c) Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.
- The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

The cost of raising funds is not significant and has not been disclosed separately.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

- d) Unrestricted funds are donations and other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

Restricted funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criteria is identified to the relevant fund.

- e) Tangible fixed assets (over £1,000) are capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over the following period to reduce the cost to the expected recoverable amount:
- Buildings - 50 years (The land element of value is not depreciated)
 - Furniture & Equipment - 4 years
- f) The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

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- g) The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.
- h) The company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by the FRS 102 SORP and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement for the year.

2. Voluntary income

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Gifts and offerings	163,800	18,726	182,526	183,124
Tax recovered	28,764	6,311	35,074	40,340
	<u>192,564</u>	<u>25,036</u>	<u>217,600</u>	<u>223,464</u>

3. Charitable activity

a) Direct charitable costs

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Church activities & events	3,834	5,252	9,087	10,623
Children's work	2,438	369	2,806	2,300
Youth work	837	-	837	259
Visiting preachers & preaching resources	278	-	278	941
Staff costs	123,818	-	123,818	130,219
Hire of premises, incl cost of hire, cost of use & equipping	31,103	-	31,103	27,256
Utilities	3,266	-	3,266	6,709
Repairs & maintenance	2,382	-	2,382	78
PA & music	449	-	449	640
General expenses incl travel & subsistence	150	-	150	1,641
Leadership development incl training, sabbaticals and meetings	3,510	-	3,510	7,027
	<u>172,065</u>	<u>5,621</u>	<u>177,686</u>	<u>187,693</u>

b) Support & Administration

Office costs	3,492	-	3,492	4,014
Insurance	2,188	-	2,188	2,032
Legal and professional fees	4,333	-	4,333	3,214
Independent Examination fee	2,280	-	2,280	2,280
Depreciation	4,632	-	4,632	2,937
Bank charges	60	-	60	58
	<u>16,985</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,985</u>	<u>14,535</u>

Combined charitable activity cost

	<u>189,050</u>	<u>5,621</u>	<u>194,671</u>	<u>202,228</u>
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c) Grants payable

Relational Mission	8,430	-	8,430	8,400
Overseas Mission Support:				
Europe	900	16,162	17,062	50,057
Africa	4,970	2,665	7,635	6,630
Life Community Trust (see note 12)	-	-	-	2,083
Other gifts	5,208	-	5,208	-
	<u>19,508</u>	<u>18,827</u>	<u>38,335</u>	<u>67,170</u>

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4. Staff, pastoral support & trustees

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Gross wages, salaries & benefits in kind	113,799	-	113,799	119,790
Employer's National Insurance costs	3,847	-	3,847	3,701
Employer's pension costs	6,172	-	6,172	6,728
Total staff costs	123,818	-	123,818	130,219

For the year the charity employed 3.15 full time equivalent members of staff (2023:3.78). Some of its activities are carried out by volunteers.

No employee earned at a rate in excess of £60,000 p.a. (2023: None)

Remuneration payable to key management (excluding trustees) amounted to £7,742 in the year (2023:£7,807). Key management is considered to cover church leaders directly employed by the church.

During the year, trustees Paul Graham and Luke Sears were paid (including employer pension contributions where applicable) £41,615 (2023: £40,684) and £46,856 (2023: £45,359) respectively for pastoral services supplied to the church; as permitted by the governing document.

No other trustees were reimbursed expenses during the year (2023 - none).

The total amount of donations received from trustees was £24,138 (2023: £23,943).

In addition the following related parties were employed by the company and received the appropriate remuneration for their services:

Mrs H Graham Enil (2023: £7,727)

All of the above figures include salary and employer's pension contributions as appropriate.

5. Tangible fixed assets

	Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Total 2024
	£		
Equipment			
Cost or valuation, 1 January 2024	200,000	24,073	224,073
Additions during the year	-	10,469	10,469
Cost or valuation, 31 December 2024	<u>200,000</u>	<u>34,542</u>	<u>234,542</u>
Accumulated depreciation, 1 January 2024	24,000	22,536	46,536
Charge for the year	2,000	2,632	4,632
Accumulated depreciation, 31 December 2024	<u>26,000</u>	<u>25,168</u>	<u>51,168</u>
Net book value, 31 December 2024	<u>174,000</u>	<u>9,374</u>	<u>183,374</u>
Net book value, 31 December 2023	<u>176,000</u>	<u>1,537</u>	<u>177,537</u>

6. Debtors & prepayments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	11,288	9,114
Sundry debtors	-	1,837
Prepayments	1,272	2,263
	<u>12,560</u>	<u>13,214</u>

7. Cash at bank and in hand

	2024	2023
	£	£
Charities Aid Foundation	196,578	179,496
Barclays Bank plc	305	16,585
Cash in hand	120	120
	<u>197,003</u>	<u>196,201</u>

8. Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	5,593	2,018
Committed Grants	3,268	6,368
	<u>8,861</u>	<u>8,386</u>

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9. a) Funds	Balances Jan. 2024 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balances Dec. 2024 £	Balances Dec. 2023 £
<i>RESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
Mission Support & Projects	2,912	12,826	8,286	-	7,452	2,912
Church plant Nijmegen	4,464	12,210	16,162	2,755	3,268	4,464
	<u>7,376</u>	<u>25,036</u>	<u>24,448</u>	<u>2,755</u>	<u>10,720</u>	<u>7,376</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	371,190	213,479	208,558	(2,755)	373,355	371,190
	<u>371,190</u>	<u>213,479</u>	<u>208,558</u>	<u>(2,755)</u>	<u>373,355</u>	<u>371,190</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>378,566</u></u>	<u><u>238,515</u></u>	<u><u>233,006</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>384,075</u></u>	<u><u>378,566</u></u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets £	Bank & Cash balances £	Other net assets/liabilities £	TOTAL £
Restricted funds	-	13,850	(3,130)	10,720
Unrestricted funds	183,374	183,153	6,828	373,355
	<u>183,374</u>	<u>197,003</u>	<u>3,698</u>	<u>384,075</u>

The Mission Support & Projects Fund represent monies specifically given for the support of mission activities.

The Church Plant Nijmegen Fund represents monies donated by Life Church and many individuals and churches across Relational Mission to support a Netherlands church plant project, which began in July 2022. The project is led by Wouter Vertegaal (former elder) and is being facilitated via Relational Mission Europe.

9. b) Funds at 31st December 2023	Balances Jan. 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balances Dec. 2023 £	Balances Dec. 2022 £
<i>RESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
Mission Support & Projects	2,939	8,505	8,532	-	2,912	2,939
Church plant Nijmegen	27,115	22,336	44,987	-	4,464	27,115
	<u>30,054</u>	<u>30,841</u>	<u>53,519</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,376</u>	<u>30,054</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	377,457	209,612	215,879	-	371,190	377,457
	<u>377,457</u>	<u>209,612</u>	<u>215,879</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>378,566</u>	<u>407,511</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>407,511</u></u>	<u><u>240,453</u></u>	<u><u>269,398</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>378,566</u></u>	<u><u>407,511</u></u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets £	Bank & Cash balances £	Other net assets £	TOTAL £
Restricted funds	-	13,744	(6,368)	7,376
Unrestricted funds	177,537	182,457	11,197	371,190
	<u>177,537</u>	<u>196,201</u>	<u>4,829</u>	<u>378,566</u>

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10. Operating lease commitments

The charity has an operating lease for its Sunday meeting venue. The minimum amount payable (until the next break clause and ignoring the potential effect of future rent reviews) in respect of this lease is as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Payments falling due:		
Within one year	2,035	2,263
Between one and five years	-	-
After five years	-	-
	<u>2,035</u>	<u>2,263</u>

During the year the charity was charged £25,650 (2023: £24,726) for its operating lease.

11. Events since the year end

None

12. Relationship with Life Community Trust

This is a separate registered charity (Life Community Trust registered number 1153808) which has its own set of trustees, whom are also the trustees of Life Church (Central England). As the Life Community Trust trustees are the same as the trustees of Life Church (Central England), Life Community Trust is classed as a related party.

On 18th December 2023, Life Community Trust effectively ceased trading following the decision by the Trustees to close as a charity and Company Limited by Guarantee (registered number 08536305).

On 9th July 2024 Life Community Trust was dissolved as a Company and 22nd July 2024 was removed from the Charity Commissions Central Register of Charities following its closure.

There were therefore no transactions between the two charities during the accounting year.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities with Comparatives
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

13.	Note	Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
		2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
	2	192,564	192,623	25,036	30,841	217,600	223,464
		5,201	3,217	-	-	5,201	3,217
		15,285	13,048	-	-	15,285	13,048
		429	724	-	-	429	724
Total income and endowments		213,479	209,612	25,036	30,841	238,515	240,453
EXPENDITURE ON							
	3ab	189,050	196,275	5,621	5,952	194,671	202,228
	3c	19,508	19,604	18,827	47,566	38,335	67,170
Total expenditure		208,558	215,879	24,448	53,519	233,006	269,398
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		4,921	-6,267	588	-22,678	5,509	-28,945
Transfers between funds		-2,755	-	2,755	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		2,165	-6,267	3,344	-22,678	5,509	-28,945
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		371,190	377,457	7,376	30,054	378,566	407,511
Total funds carried forward		373,355	371,190	10,720	7,376	384,075	378,566

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.

Small differences of £1 may appear in these accounts due to rounding issues.


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LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

REGISTERED OFFICE	139b Fletton Avenue Peterborough PE2 8BY
REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	05267786
REGISTERED CHARITY	1111146
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles of Association
TRUSTEES	Ruth Donnelly (<i>resigned 25th April 2023</i>) Paul Graham (<i>Chair until 21st November 2023</i>) Andrew Kennedy Sarah Lohse (<i>appointed 21st November 2023</i>) Simon Lummis (<i>Chair from 21st November 2023</i>) Stephen J Searle Luke Sears
OTHER KEY MANAGEMENT (Elders)	Phil Bowyer Luke Sears Sam Tucker Paul Graham
BANKERS	1. Charities Aid Foundation PO Box 289 West Malling Kent ME19 4TA 2. Barclays Bank plc Peterborough Business Centre PO Box 294 Peterborough PE1 1EZ
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Lisa Darby FCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB

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LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The primary aims of the charity are to fulfil the role of a Christian Church in the Peterborough area and to provide help to others in promoting the Christian faith in the United Kingdom and overseas. This is achieved through various church activities in the Peterborough area including providing relief for people in need and the support of missionary work in other parts of the world.

GOVERNANCE

The trustees, who are the charity's directors for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the policy and operating decisions of the church. They also monitor the financial situation monthly and from time to time meet with the core leadership team of the church to review relevant matters. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the Members of the Charity. The community projects of the church are operated through Life Community Trust and the trustees of both companies are identical. The business decisions are made totally separately for each company.

THE CHURCH: ITS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Church is not a building. Rather, it is a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds, whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ were also committed to loving and caring for each other and to bringing blessing to the area in which they lived. Life Church (Central England), its trustees, eldership and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, for it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world whose aims and values are rooted in New Testament. The vision is to see the people of Peterborough and elsewhere come into this experience of knowing Jesus as their Lord, Saviour and friend.

Life Church (Central England) belongs to Relational Mission family of churches, which is also part of the wider New Frontiers family of churches both here in the UK and around the world that share similar values and objectives. We are a member of the Evangelical Alliance.

The trustees take very seriously their responsibilities to ensure the proper management and administration of the charity. To this end, they work closely with the core leadership team, whose responsibility it is to govern the life and teaching of the Church. Strict financial controls are in place and exercised by the trustees, including the monitoring of all income and expenditure against agreed budgets.

In planning the activities the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

CHURCH MEMBERS

Seeing the above aims and objectives fulfilled is impossible without the work and devotion of each Church member. We are therefore especially thankful for all of those who work so conscientiously and sincerely, often privately or behind the scenes and perhaps even without due recognition. Their service and the part they play towards seeing the Church's vision realised cannot be overstated. Also, the Church's financial support is almost entirely down to the generous and sacrificial giving of its members, for which we praise God.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

2023 REVIEW

Meeting together

We have continued to meet weekly to worship God together at our hired premises in the Thomas Deacon Academy school. Attendance has remained largely unchanged with around 120 individuals attending services each week, up to 10 teenagers, between 15-20 primary school aged children, and up to 9 preschoolers. We have also continued to enjoy times of mid-week fellowship in our Life Groups, with a variety of groups running across the City and beyond each term. Overall 153 people signed up for a group at some point during the year.

We have also seen a regular flow of visitors and welcomed in seven new members. As well as having the joy of baptising seven people - a key step for a believer in following Jesus.

Investing in our congregation

It has been a real joy seeing so many individuals in the church give so much of their time and energy to invest in the church. Of note, it has been fantastic to welcome a new trustee in Sarah Lohse, whose experience and insight have already proved valuable. We have also appointed our first two deacons, who both have a particular focus on ensuring our Sunday meetings go smoothly and all of the various serving teams are supported. Finally, towards the end of the year, we started to see a number of new meeting hosts, who lead through the Sunday services, be trained up and join the regular roster of leaders.

Outreach

Life Tots, our Fletton based toddler group, continued to be fully booked most weeks as it served the many parents, carers and toddlers of our city. The conversation club, our informal english speaking space aimed to support Asylum seekers and refugees, began to meet weekly and has seen a regular group of up to 10 individuals attend since then.

Our long running debt advice centre, which was run by our sister charity Life Community Trust, unfortunately had to close down this year as it struggled to secure long term funding.

Mission

We continue to prioritise supporting, both financially and with our time, other churches and church planting initiatives in the UK and abroad. In the Summer, we took up a special offering which went towards various of our church mission partners, including Relational Mission (the family of churches we are part of), Plant Nijmegen (a relational mission church plant in the Netherlands) and a couple in Zimbabwe. This was on top of the giving we already budget into each year.

It was also encouraging that many of those partners were able to visit us at least once last year.

Key events

We enjoyed having a day trip to Sherringham as a whole church family in the year, to get time together and to focus on what it means to be a church who shares their faith. We also enjoyed great invitation services over Easter and Christmas, seeing up to 20% more people attend than a regular Sunday, as many friends and family attended, some for the first time.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

Staff team

One of the ways we achieve our objectives is by employing people in key roles, including Eldership Team Leader, Operations, Kids team leaders (Youth & Primary aged), Discipleship Lead, Communications and Book-keeping. Other roles are fulfilled by volunteers. Our Youth Team Leader & Communications Manager stepped down at the end of 2023, but there are plans to replenish the staff team in these roles early in 2024.

Looking ahead

As we head into the next year, we are looking forward to seeing key investments in various areas of church life. We have been preparing a fresh focus on sharing our faith as a church, are investing in the structure of our Life Groups to facilitate deep care and friendships, are running a teaching and preaching course and much more.

In all these things we thank God for what he has done among us and look to him, that his kingdom would come and his will be done, in the year ahead.

Luke Sears, Eldership Team Leader, on behalf of the elders & trustees

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year income decreased by £66,078 to £240,453, and expenditure decreased by £83,809 to £269,398. As a result the deficit was reduced by £17,731, to a deficit of -£28,945 and the charity's net assets decreased by the same amount. Net current assets decreased by £26,008, to £201,029. The funds held by the charity at the end of the year totalled £378,566 (2022: £407,511) of which £7,376 (2022: £30,054) was restricted in use.

GRANTS POLICY

Given as deemed appropriate to a range of Christian organisations approved by the Trustees.

RESERVES POLICY

The Board of Trustees has established a policy whereby free reserves held by the charity should be maintained at three months' committed expenditure. This would equate to approximately £60,500. Funds above this level are being held pending plans for church property to be determined in the foreseeable future. The current level of unrestricted cash held £186,056 (2022: £191,033)

RISK MANAGEMENT

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Any contractual risks are reviewed before being entered into, so as to ensure they could not significantly impact upon the Church's ability to fulfil its objective. The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:


Simon Lummis
[Simon Lummis \(Sep 5, 2024 13:31 GMT+1\)](#)

S Lummis (Chair)

Date 09/05/2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023 on pages 7 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 9-10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lisa Darby

[Lisa Darby \(Sep 16, 2024 14:25 GMT+1\)](#)

Lisa Darby FCA

For and on behalf of:

Stewardship

1 Lamb's Passage

London

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Date: 09/16/2024

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Notes	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	192,623	30,841	223,464	295,701
Investment income		3,217	-	3,217	722
Other trading activities		13,048	-	13,048	5,273
Other income		724	-	724	4,835
Total Income & endowments		209,612	30,841	240,453	306,531
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	3	196,275	5,952	202,228	238,735
Grants payable	3c	19,604	47,566	67,170	114,472
Total expenditure		215,879	53,519	269,398	353,207
Net income / (expenditure)		(6,267)	(22,678)	(28,945)	(46,676)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(6,267)	(22,678)	(28,945)	(46,676)
Total funds brought forward		377,457	30,054	407,511	454,187
Total funds carried forward		371,190	7,376	378,566	407,511

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account required by the Companies Act 2006.

Small differences of £1 may appear in these accounts due to rounding issues.

The notes on pages 9 - 14 form part of these accounts.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	5	177,537	-	177,537	180,474
Current assets					
Debtors due within one year & prepayments	6	13,215	-	13,215	8,761
Debtors falling due after one year	6	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	7	182,457	13,744	196,200	221,087
		<u>195,672</u>	<u>13,744</u>	<u>209,415</u>	<u>229,848</u>
Current Liabilities					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	2,018	6,368	8,386	2,811
Net Current Assets		193,653	7,376	201,029	227,037
Net Assets					
		<u>371,190</u>	<u>7,376</u>	<u>378,566</u>	<u>407,511</u>
Unrestricted Funds				371,190	377,457
Restricted Funds				7,376	30,054
Total Funds	9			<u>378,566</u>	<u>407,511</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st December 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

Simon Lummis
Simon Lummis (Sep 5, 2024 13:31 GMT+1)

5th Sept 2024

S Lummis (Chair)
Company number: 05267786

Date

Charity number: 1111146

Small differences of £1 may appear in these accounts due to rounding issues.

The notes on pages 9 - 14 form part of these accounts.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

1. Accounting policies

- a) The accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention, in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014; and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, as there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue. Based on the adequacy of the charity's reserves as at the balance sheet date, along with their knowledge of the charity's ability to meet bills, payments and other liabilities as they fall due, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The following are the accounting policies which have been applied in dealing with material items:-
- b) Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items). Facilities, services and goods donated for the charity's own use are recognised as income when receivable at their value to the charity.

Income from other trading activities represents income receivable from activities undertaken to generate funds for the charity. It includes income generated by the hiring of the Fletton Centre.

Investment income represents income generated by the charity's assets and includes income from bank interest.

The charity has relied significantly upon volunteers in carrying out all of its activities during the year. In accordance with the SORP, the role of volunteers has not been recognised as income from donated services in the accounts.

- c) Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.
- The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.
- The cost of raising funds is not significant and has not been disclosed separately.
- Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.
- d) Unrestricted funds are donations and other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.
- Restricted funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criteria is identified to the relevant fund.
- e) Tangible fixed assets (over £1,000) are capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over the following period to reduce the cost to the expected recoverable amount:
- Buildings - 50 years (The land element of value is not depreciated)
 - Furniture & Equipment - 4 years
- f) The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

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- g) The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.
- h) The company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by the FRS 102 SORP and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement for the year.

2. Voluntary income

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Gifts and offerings	156,499	26,624	183,124	266,981
Tax recovered	36,124	4,217	40,340	28,720
	<u>192,623</u>	<u>30,841</u>	<u>223,464</u>	<u>295,701</u>

3. Charitable activity

a) Direct charitable costs

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Church activities & events	5,029	5,594	10,623	22,740
Children's work	1,941	358	2,300	2,807
Youth work	259	-	259	81
Visiting preachers	941	-	941	1,270
Staff costs	130,219	-	130,219	169,340
Hire of premises, incl cost of hire, cost of use & equipping	27,256	-	27,256	7,082
Utilities	6,709	-	6,709	5,333
Repairs & maintenance	78	-	78	785
PA & music	640	-	640	1,093
General expenses incl travel & subsistence	1,641	-	1,641	3,642
Leadership development incl training, sabbaticals and meetings	7,027	-	7,027	6,736
	<u>181,741</u>	<u>5,952</u>	<u>187,693</u>	<u>220,909</u>

b) Support & Administration

Office costs	4,014	-	4,014	4,952
Insurance	2,032	-	2,032	1,519
Legal and professional fees	3,214	-	3,214	6,228
Independent Examination fee	2,280	-	2,280	2,070
Depreciation	2,937	-	2,937	2,945
Bank charges	58	-	58	111
	<u>14,534</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,534</u>	<u>17,825</u>

Combined charitable activity cost

	<u>196,275</u>	<u>5,952</u>	<u>202,228</u>	<u>238,734</u>
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c) Grants payable

Relational Mission	8,400	-	8,400	11,500
Overseas Mission Support:				
Europe	5,071	44,986	50,057	83,909
Africa	4,050	2,580	6,630	14,063
Life Community Trust (see note 12)	2,083	-	2,083	5,000
Other gifts	-	-	-	-
	<u>19,604</u>	<u>47,566</u>	<u>67,171</u>	<u>114,472</u>

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4. Staff, pastoral support & trustees

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Gross wages, salaries & benefits in kind	119,790	-	119,790	152,039
Employer's National Insurance costs	3,701	-	3,701	7,089
Employer's pension costs	6,728	-	6,728	10,212
Total staff costs	<u>130,219</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>130,219</u>	<u>169,340</u>

For the year the charity employed 3.78 full time equivalent members of staff (2022: 4.08). Some of its activities are carried out by volunteers.

No employee earned at a rate in excess of £60,000 p.a. (2022: None)

Remuneration payable to key management (excluding trustees) amounted to £7,807 in the year (2022:£7,881). Key management is considered to cover church leaders directly employed by the church.

During the year, trustees Paul Graham and Luke Sears were paid (including employer pension contributions where applicable) £40,684 (2022: £39,403) and £45,359 (2022: £42,371) respectively for pastoral services supplied to the church. Former trustee Wouter Vertegaal £nil (2022: £17,235); as permitted by the governing document.

No other trustees were reimbursed expenses during the year (2022 - none).

The total amount of donations received from trustees was £23,943 (2022: £35,862).

In addition the following related parties were employed by the company and received the appropriate remuneration for their services:

Mrs H Graham £7,727 (2022: £7,170), Mrs S Vertegaal £nil (2022: £3,019)

All of the above figures include salary and employer's pension contributions as appropriate.

Fees payable to Stewardship, other than for the independent examination totalled £nil (2022: £nil).

5. Tangible fixed assets

	Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Total 2023
			£
Equipment			
Cost or valuation, 1 January 2023	200,000	24,073	224,073
Additions during the year	-	-	-
Cost or valuation, 31 December 2023	<u>200,000</u>	<u>24,073</u>	<u>224,073</u>
Accumulated depreciation, 1 January 2023	22,000	21,599	43,599
Charge for the year	2,000	937	2,937
Accumulated depreciation, 31 December 2023	<u>24,000</u>	<u>22,536</u>	<u>46,536</u>
Net book value, 31 December 2023	<u>176,000</u>	<u>1,537</u>	<u>177,537</u>
Net book value, 31 December 2022	<u>178,000</u>	<u>2,474</u>	<u>180,474</u>

6. Debtors & prepayments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	9,114	5,376
Sundry debtors	1,837	94
Prepayments	2,263	-
Agency amounts due from Life Community Trust	-	3,290
	<u>13,215</u>	<u>8,760</u>

Agency funds:

	Balances Jan 2023	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Balances Dec. 2023	Balances Dec. 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Transactions on behalf of Life Community Trust	3,290	8,407	5,117	-	3,290
	<u>3,290</u>	<u>8,407</u>	<u>5,117</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,290</u>

Life Community Trust settled the balance outstanding in February 2023.

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7. Cash at bank and in hand	2023 £	2022 £
Charities Aid Foundation	179,496	188,589
Barclays Bank plc	16,585	32,498
Cash in hand	120	-
	<u>196,200</u>	<u>221,087</u>

8. Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals	2,018	2,811
Committed Grants	6,368	-
Other creditors	-	-
	<u>8,386</u>	<u>2,811</u>

9. a) Funds	Balances Jan 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balances Dec. 2023 £	Balances Dec. 2022 £
<i>RESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
Mission Support & Projects	2,939	8,505	8,532	-	2,912	2,939
Church plant Nijmegen	27,115	22,336	44,987	-	4,464	27,115
	<u>30,054</u>	<u>30,841</u>	<u>53,519</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,376</u>	<u>30,054</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	377,457	209,612	215,879	-	371,190	377,457
	<u>377,457</u>	<u>209,612</u>	<u>215,879</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>371,190</u>	<u>377,457</u>
TOTAL	<u>407,511</u>	<u>240,454</u>	<u>269,398</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>378,566</u>	<u>407,511</u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets £	Bank & Cash balances £	Other net assets £	TOTAL £
Restricted funds	-	13,744	(6,368)	7,376
Unrestricted funds	177,537	182,457	11,197	371,190
	<u>177,537</u>	<u>196,200</u>	<u>4,829</u>	<u>378,566</u>

The Mission Support & Projects Fund represent monies specifically given for the support of mission activities.

The Church Plant Nijmegen Fund represents monies donated by Life Church and many individuals and churches across Relational Mission to support a Netherlands church plant project, which began in July 2022. The project is led by Wouter Vertegaal (former elder) and is being facilitated via Relational Mission Europe.

9. b) Funds at 31st December 2022	Balances Jan 2022 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balances Dec. 2022 £	Balances Dec. 2021 £
Mission Support & Projects	16,732	13,093	26,886	-	2,939	16,732
Church plant Nijmegen	-	77,331	50,216	-	27,115	-
	<u>16,732</u>	<u>90,424</u>	<u>77,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,054</u>	<u>16,732</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	437,455	216,107	276,105	-	377,457	437,455
	<u>437,455</u>	<u>216,107</u>	<u>276,105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>407,511</u>	<u>454,187</u>
TOTAL	<u>454,187</u>	<u>306,531</u>	<u>353,207</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>407,511</u>	<u>454,187</u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets £	Bank & Cash balances £	Other net assets £	TOTAL £
Restricted funds	-	30,054		30,054
Unrestricted funds	180,474	191,033	5,950	377,457
	<u>180,474</u>	<u>221,087</u>	<u>5,950</u>	<u>407,511</u>

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10. Operating lease commitments

The charity has an operating lease for its Sunday meeting venue. The minimum amount payable (until the next break clause and ignoring the potential effect of future rent reviews) in respect of this lease is as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Payments falling due:		
Within one year	2,263	19,498
Between one and five years	-	-
After five years	-	-
	<u>2,263</u>	<u>19,498</u>

During the year the charity was charged £24,726 (2022: £4046) for its operating lease.

11. Events since the year end

None

12. Relationship with Life Community Trust

This is a separate registered charity (Life Community Trust registered number 1153808) which has its own set of trustees, whom are also the trustees of Life Church (Central England). As the Life Community Trust trustees are the same as the trustees of Life Church (Central England), Life Community Trust is classed as a related party. All transactions between the two charities have been separately disclosed in the above notes to the accounts.

On 18th December 2023, Life Community Trust effectively ceased trading following the decision by the Trustees to close as a charity and Company Limited by Guarantee (registered number 08536305) and this process is underway.

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13.	Note	Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
		2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
	2	192,623	205,278	30,841	90,424	223,464	295,702
		3,217	722	-	-	3,217	722
		13,048	5,273	-	-	13,048	5,273
		724	4,835	-	-	724	4,835
Total income and endowments		209,612	216,108	30,841	90,424	240,453	306,532
EXPENDITURE ON							
	3ab	196,275	221,962	5,952	16,772	202,228	238,735
	3c	19,604	54,143	47,566	60,329	67,170	114,472
Total expenditure		215,879	276,105	53,519	77,101	269,398	353,207
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		(6,267)	(59,997)	(22,678)	13,323	(28,945)	(46,675)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
		(6,267)	(59,997)	(22,678)	13,323	(28,945)	(46,675)
Net movement in funds		(6,267)	(59,997)	(22,678)	13,323	(28,945)	(46,675)
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		377,457	437,455	30,054	16,732	407,511	454,187
Total funds carried forward		371,190	377,458	7,376	30,055	378,566	407,512

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.

Small differences of £1 may appear in these accounts due to rounding issues.

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LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
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LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

REGISTERED OFFICE	139b Fletton Avenue Peterborough PE2 8BY
REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	05267786
REGISTERED CHARITY	01111146
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles of Association
TRUSTEES	Ruth Donnelly (<i>resigned 25th April 2023</i>) Paul Graham (<i>Chair</i>) Andrew Kennedy Simon Lummis Stephen J Searle Wouter Vertegaal (<i>resigned 25th April 2022</i>) Luke Sears (<i>appointed 15th May 2022</i>)
OTHER KEY MANAGEMENT (Elders)	Phil Bowyer Luke Sears Sam Tucker Paul Graham
BANKERS	1. Charities Aid Foundation PO Box 289 West Malling Kent ME19 4TA 2. Barclays Bank plc Peterborough Business Centre PO Box 294 Peterborough PE1 1EZ
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Lisa Darby FCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022 REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The primary aims of the charity are to fulfil the role of a Christian Church in the Peterborough area and to provide help to others in promoting the Christian faith in the United Kingdom and overseas. This is achieved through various church activities in the Peterborough area including providing relief for people in need and the support of missionary work in other parts of the world.

GOVERNANCE

The trustees, who are the charity's directors for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the policy and operating decisions of the church. They also monitor the financial situation monthly and from time to time meet with the core leadership team of the church to review relevant matters. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the Members of the Charity. The community projects of the church are operated through Life Community Trust and the trustees of both companies are identical. The business decisions are made totally separately for each company.

THE CHURCH: ITS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Church is not a building. Rather, it is a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds, whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ were also committed to loving and caring for each other and to bringing blessing to the area in which they lived. Life Church (Central England), its trustees, eldership and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, for it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world whose aims and values are rooted in New Testament. The vision is to see the people of Peterborough and elsewhere come into this experience of knowing Jesus as their Lord, Saviour and friend.

Life Church (Central England) is a member of the Evangelical Alliance and is a Relational Mission Church which is part of Newfrontiers, a family of churches both here in the UK and overseas that share similar values and objectives.

The trustees take very seriously their responsibilities to ensure the proper management and administration of the charity. To this end, they work closely with the core leadership team, whose responsibility it is to govern the life and teaching of the Church. Strict financial controls are in place and exercised by the trustees, including the monitoring of all income and expenditure against agreed budgets.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

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CHURCH MEMBERS

Seeing the above aims and objectives fulfilled is impossible without the work and devotion of each Church member. We are therefore especially thankful for all of those who work so conscientiously and sincerely, often privately or behind the scenes and perhaps even without due recognition. Their service and the part they play towards seeing the Church's vision realised cannot be overstated. Also, the Church's financial support is almost entirely down to the generous and sacrificial giving of its members, for which we praise God.

2022 REVIEW

As a church family, 2022 was a year of significant change and deliberate investment as we came out of the pandemic and looked ahead to our future as a church. It was a year, as each year is, with many challenges and much to celebrate. But in all these things we have seen God's care and grace as we have trusted and followed Jesus.

Leadership Transition

One of the most notable areas of change and investment was in the church's leadership team. In the year preceding, Wouter Vertegaal, who was leading the eldership team, had told the church of his family's plans to plant a new church with Relational Mission (the family of churches we are part of) in Nijmegen, the Netherlands. As such, during 2021 a process of discerning the right next steps for the leadership team was completed. Off the back of this, Luke Sears, who was part of Relational Mission Church in Cambridge, was invited to join the church family with a view to lead the eldership team in due course.

In January 2022, Luke and his family moved to Peterborough and joined the church. Then, just after Easter, the elders, the church family, and representatives from Relational Mission, formally welcomed Luke into the eldership team and his role to lead it. At a similar time Wouter finished his handover and stepped back as an elder of the church to complete the leadership transition ahead of their departure in July.

The rest of the year was then spent settling and establishing as an eldership team.

Meeting Together

This year was the first one that we were able to meet in person without interruption after the pandemic, which was a real joy. The year began with a continuation of meeting in the premises we own in Fletton. However, this space was not ideal as it did not fit the whole congregation and had inadequate facilities for childrens and youth work.

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As such, from November we were able to hire halls at the secondary school that we met at before the pandemic. This allowed us to meet all together as one congregation while also serving our under 18s much better, which was appreciated by us all.

It has also been a real encouragement that we have seen many new visitors over this year, those new to the area and those exploring faith, which we are very grateful to God for.

Outreach

We continue to look for ways to care for the community of Peterborough City and the surrounding area. Our Life Money debt and benefits advice service continued to run through the year, providing important care for the many in financial difficulties. Our toddler group, Life Tots, also continued, regularly fully subscribed, serving the families and children of the Fletton Area. Finally, we also began a Global Cafe, a regular space aimed at befriending and caring for the many asylum seekers who have been placed in Peterborough and helping them to grow their English skills.

All of these activities are run out of the premises that we are very fortunate to own.

Missions

Supporting other christian works, within and outside the UK, remains a priority for us. Through the giving of our time, people and finances, we continued to support Relational Mission in the work they do strengthening and planting churches in the UK and further afield. We also continued to support projects that we have close relational ties to in Zimbabwe, Serbia & Mozambique. Finally, for the first time, we began to support the new church plant with Wouter and his family went to start in the Netherlands.

Kids & Youth Work

We love the many children and young people that are part of the church and it has been brilliant being able to serve them better on Sundays in the latter part of the year by being in our new meeting venue. We also employed our Youth Team Leader and Kids Team Leader who oversee these works, both of whom were interns at the church previously. They are settling into their new roles well and are doing a great job serving the children, parents and their teams.

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Key events

There were a number of key moments in the year which were real highlights, with brilliant all age services at Easter and Christmas. We also had a whole church weekend away with over 130 attendees, which was a great time to be all together and build community.

In all these things we thank God for what he has done among us and look to him, that his kingdom would come and his will be done, in the year ahead.

Luke Sears, Eldership Team Leader, on behalf of the elders & trustees

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year income increased by £47,415 to £306,531, and expenditure increased by £107,257, to £353,207. As a result surplus for the year decreased by £59,842, to a deficit of -£46,676 and the charity's net assets decreased by the same amount. Net current assets decreased by £43,739, to £227,037. The funds held by the charity at the end of the year totalled £407,511 (2021: £454,187) of which £ 30,524 (2021: £16,732) was restricted in use.

GRANTS POLICY

Given as deemed appropriate to a range of Christian organisations approved by the Trustees.

RESERVES POLICY

The Board of Trustees has established a policy whereby free reserves held by the charity should be maintained at three months' committed expenditure. This would equate to approximately £55,000. Funds above this level are being held pending plans for church property to be determined in the foreseeable future. The current level of unrestricted cash held £191,033 (2021: £202,294)

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RISK MANAGEMENT

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Any contractual risks are reviewed before being entered into, so as to ensure they could not significantly impact upon the Church's ability to fulfil its objective. The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Paul Graham

P Graham (Chair)

Date: 26/09/2023

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022 on pages 7 to 15 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 10-11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lisa Darby

Lisa Darby FCA

For and on behalf of:

Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
London
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Date: 26th September 2023

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	205,278	90,424	295,701	254,540
Investment income		722	-	722	21
Other trading activities		5,273	-	5,273	3,936
Other income		4,835	-	4,835	619
Total Income & endowments		216,107	90,424	306,531	259,116
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	3	221,962	16,772	238,735	207,123
Grants payable	3c	54,143	60,329	114,472	38,827
Total expenditure		276,105	77,102	353,207	245,950
Net income / (expenditure)		(59,998)	13,322	(46,676)	13,166
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(59,998)	13,322	(46,676)	13,166
Total funds brought forward		437,455	16,732	454,187	441,021
Total funds carried forward		377,457	30,054	407,511	454,187

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account required by the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 10 - 15 form part of these accounts.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	5	180,474	-	180,474	183,411
Current assets					
Debtors due within one year & prepayments	6	8,761	-	8,761	53,598
Debtors falling due after one year	6	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	7	191,033	30,054	221,087	225,781
		199,794	30,054	229,848	279,379
Current Liabilities					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	2,811	-	2,811	8,603
Net Current Assets		196,984	30,054	227,037	270,776
Net Assets					
		377,458	30,054	407,511	454,187
Unrestricted Funds				377,457	437,455
Restricted Funds				30,054	16,732
Total Funds	9			407,511	454,187

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st December 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

Paul Graham

P Graham (Chair)
Company number: 5267786

26/09/2023

Date

Charity number: 1111146

The notes on pages 10 - 15 form part of these accounts.

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

1. Accounting policies

a) The accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention, in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014; and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, as there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue. Based on the adequacy of the charity's reserves as at the balance sheet date, along with their knowledge of the charity's ability to meet bills, payments and other liabilities as they fall due, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The following are the accounting policies which have been applied in dealing with material items:-

b) Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items). Facilities, services and goods donated for the charity's own use are recognised as income when receivable at their value to the charity.

The charity has relied significantly upon volunteers in carrying out all of its activities during the year. In accordance with the SORP, the role of volunteers has not been recognised as income from donated services in the accounts.

c) Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

d) Unrestricted funds are donations and other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds. Restricted funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criteria is identified to the relevant fund.

e) Tangible fixed assets (over £1,000) are capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over the following period to reduce the cost to the expected recoverable amount:

Buildings - 50 years (The land element of value is not depreciated)

Furniture & Equipment - 4 years

f) The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

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- g) The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.
- h) The company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by the FRS 102 SORP and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement for the year.

2. Voluntary income

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Gifts and offerings	178,613	88,368	266,981	220,030
Tax recovered	26,665	2,056	28,720	34,510
	<u>205,278</u>	<u>90,424</u>	<u>295,701</u>	<u>254,540</u>

3. Charitable activity

a) Direct charitable costs

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Church activities & events	5,968	16,772	22,740	17,006
Children's work	2,807	-	2,807	2,710
Youth work	81	-	81	72
Visiting preachers	1,270	-	1,270	2,064
Staff costs	169,340	-	169,340	140,624
Hire of premises, incl cost of hire, cost of use & equipping	7,082	-	7,082	1,833
Utilities	5,333	-	5,333	5,104
Repairs & maintenance	785	-	785	1,757
PA & music	1,093	-	1,093	6,039
General expenses incl travel & subsistence	3,642	-	3,642	2,482
Leadership development incl training, sabbaticals and meetings	6,736	-	6,736	13,438
	<u>204,137</u>	<u>16,772</u>	<u>220,910</u>	<u>193,128</u>

b) Support & Administration

Office costs	4,952	-	4,952	5,466
Insurance	1,519	-	1,519	1,741
Legal and professional fees	6,228	-	6,228	1,227
Independent Examination fee	2,070	-	2,070	1,800
Depreciation	2,945	-	2,945	3,615
Bank charges	111	-	111	146
	<u>17,825</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,825</u>	<u>13,995</u>

Combined charitable activity cost

	<u>221,962</u>	<u>16,772</u>	<u>238,735</u>	<u>207,123</u>
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c) Grants payable

Relational Mission	11,500	-	11,500	9,900
Overseas Mission Support:				
Europe	32,693	51,216	83,909	1,412
Africa	4,950	9,113	14,063	21,016
Life Community Trust (see note 12)	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Other gifts				1,500
	<u>54,143</u>	<u>60,329</u>	<u>114,472</u>	<u>38,828</u>

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4. Staff, pastoral support & trustees	General	Restricted	2022	2021
	Funds	Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Gross wages, salaries & benefits in kind	152,039	-	152,039	127,268
Employer's National Insurance costs	7,089	-	7,089	5,517
Pension costs	10,212	-	10,212	7,839
Total staff costs	169,340	-	169,340	140,624

For the year the charity employed 4.08 full time equivalent members of staff (2021: 3.96). Some of its activities are carried out by volunteers.

No employee earned at a rate in excess of £60,000 p.a. (2021: None)

Remuneration payable to key management (excluding trustees) amounted to £7,881 in the year (2021:£12,569). Key management is considered to cover church leaders directly employed by the church.

During the year, trustees Paul Graham, Luke Sears and Wouter Vertegaal were paid (including employer pension contributions where applicable) £39,403 (2021: £37,973), £42,371 (2021: nil) and £17,235 (2021: £45,005) respectively for pastoral services supplied to the church; as permitted by the governing document.

No other trustees were reimbursed expenses during the year (2021 - none).

The total amount of donations received from trustees was £35,862 (2021: £30,117).

In addition the following related parties were employed by the company and received the appropriate remuneration for their services:

Mrs H Graham £7,170 (2021 - £6,962), and Mrs S Vertegaal £3,019 (2021 - £5,024)

All of the above figures include salary and employer's pension contributions as appropriate.

Fees payable to Stewardship, other than for the independent examination totalled £nil (2021: £nil).

5. Tangible fixed assets	Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Total 2022
			£
Equipment			
Cost or valuation, 1 January 2022	200,000	24,073	224,073
Additions during the year	-	-	-
Cost or valuation, 31 December 2022	200,000	24,073	224,073
Accumulated depreciation, 1 January 2022	20,000	20,662	40,662
Charge for the year	2,000	937	2,937
Accumulated depreciation, 31 December 2022	22,000	21,599	43,599
Net book value, 31 December 2022	178,000	2,474	180,474
Net book value, 31 December 2021	180,000	3,411	183,411

6. Debtors & prepayments	2022	2021
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	5,376	49,762
Sundry debtors	94	-
Prepayments	-	438
Agency amounts due from Life Community Trust	3,290	3,398
	8,761	53,597

Agency funds:	Balances Jan 2022	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Balances Dec. 2022	Balances Dec. 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Transactions on behalf of Life Community Trust	3,398	10,878	10,986	3,290	3,398
	3,398	10,878	10,986	3,290	3,398

Life Community Trust settled the balance outstanding in February 2023.

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7. Cash at bank and in hand		2022	2021
		£	£
Charities Aid Foundation		188,589	201,475
Barclays Bank plc		32,498	24,276
Cash in hand		-	30
		<u>221,087</u>	<u>225,781</u>

8. Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year		2022	2021
		£	£
Accruals		2,811	8,603
		<u>2,811</u>	<u>8,603</u>

9. a) Funds	Balances Jan 2022	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Balances Dec. 2022	Balances Dec. 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>RESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
Mission Support & Projects	16,732	13,093	26,886	-	2,939	16,732
Church plant Nijmegen	-	77,331	50,216	-	27,115	-
	<u>16,732</u>	<u>90,424</u>	<u>77,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,054</u>	<u>16,732</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	437,455	216,107	276,105	-	377,457	437,455
	<u>437,455</u>	<u>216,107</u>	<u>276,105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>377,457</u>	<u>437,455</u>
TOTAL	<u>454,187</u>	<u>306,531</u>	<u>353,207</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>407,511</u>	<u>454,187</u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets	Bank & Cash balances	Other net assets	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	-	30,054		30,054
Unrestricted funds	180,474	191,033	5,950	377,457
	<u>180,474</u>	<u>221,087</u>	<u>5,950</u>	<u>407,511</u>

The Mission Support & Projects Fund represent monies specifically given for the support of mission activities and the Contented Fletton community project.

The Church Plant Nijmegen Fund represents monies donated by Life Church and many individuals and churches across Relational Mission to support a Netherlands church plant project, which began in July 2022. The project is led by Wouter Vertegaal (former elder) and is being facilitated via Relational Mission Europe.

9. b) Funds at 31st December 2021	Balances Jan 2021	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Balances Dec. 2021	Balances Dec. 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Mission Support & Projects	25,008	23,118	31,394		16,732	25,008
	<u>25,008</u>	<u>23,118</u>	<u>31,394</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,732</u>	<u>25,008</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	416,013	235,998	214,556		437,455	416,013
	<u>416,013</u>	<u>235,998</u>	<u>214,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>437,455</u>	<u>416,013</u>
TOTAL	<u>441,021</u>	<u>259,116</u>	<u>245,950</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>454,187</u>	<u>441,021</u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets	Bank & Cash balances	Other net assets	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	-	23,487	(6,755)	16,732
Unrestricted funds	183,411	202,294	51,751	437,455
	<u>183,411</u>	<u>225,781</u>	<u>44,996</u>	<u>454,187</u>

The restricted funds represent monies specifically given for the support of mission activities and the Contented Fletton community project.

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10. Operating lease commitments

The charity has an operating lease for its Sunday meeting venue. The minimum amount payable (until the next break clause and ignoring the potential effect of future rent reviews) in respect of this lease is as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Payments falling due:		
Within one year	19,498	-
Between one and five years	-	-
After five years	-	-
	<u>19,498</u>	<u>-</u>

During the year the charity was charged £4,046 (2021: £NIL) for its operating lease.

11. Events since the year end

None

12. Relationship with Life Community Trust

This is a separate registered charity (Life Community Trust registered number 1153808) which has its own set of trustees, whom are also the trustees of Life Church (Central England). As the Life Community Trust trustees are the same as the trustees of Life Church (Central England), Life Community Trust is classed as a related party. All transactions between the two charities have been separately disclosed in the above notes to the accounts.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities with Comparatives
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13.	Note	Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
		2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
	2	205,278	231,422	90,424	23,118	295,701	254,540
		722	21	-	-	722	21
		5,273	3,936	-	-	5,273	3,936
		4,835	619	-	-	4,835	619
Total income and endowments		216,107	235,998	90,424	23,118	306,531	259,116
EXPENDITURE ON							
	3ab	221,962	193,144	16,772	13,979	238,735	207,123
	3c	54,143	21,412	60,329	17,415	114,472	38,827
Total expenditure		276,105	214,556	77,102	31,394	353,207	245,950
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		(59,998)	21,442	13,322	(8,276)	(46,676)	13,166
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
		(59,998)	21,442	13,322	(8,276)	(46,676)	13,166
Net movement in funds		(59,998)	21,442	13,322	(8,276)	(46,676)	13,166
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		437,455	416,013	16,732	25,008	454,187	441,021
Total funds carried forward		377,457	437,455	30,054	16,732	407,511	454,187

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.

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LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

REGISTERED OFFICE	139b Fletton Avenue Peterborough PE2 8BY
REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	05267786
REGISTERED CHARITY	01111146
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles of Association
TRUSTEES	Phil Angell (<i>deceased 9th November 2021</i>) Ruth Donnelly Paul Graham (<i>Chair</i>) Andrew Kennedy Simon Lummis Stephen J Searle Wouter Vertegaal (<i>resigned 25th April 2022</i>)
OTHER KEY MANAGEMENT (Elders)	Phil Bowyer (<i>appointed 21st February 2021</i>) Luke Sears (<i>appointed 15th May 2022</i>) Sam Tucker
BANKERS	1. Charities Aid Foundation PO Box 289 West Malling Kent ME19 4TA 2. Barclays Bank plc Peterborough Business Centre PO Box 294 Peterborough PE1 1EZ
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Lisa Darby ACA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB

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LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The primary aims of the charity are to fulfil the role of a Christian Church in the Peterborough area and to provide help to others in promoting the Christian faith in the United Kingdom and overseas. This is achieved through various church activities in the Peterborough area including providing relief for people in need and the support of missionary work in other parts of the world.

GOVERNANCE

The trustees, who are the charity's directors for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the policy and operating decisions of the church. They also monitor the financial situation monthly and from time to time meet with the core leadership team of the church to review relevant matters. New trustees are recruited and appointed by a majority of existing trustees. The community projects of the church are mainly operated through Life Community Trust and the trustees of both companies are identical. The business decisions are made totally separately for each company.

THE CHURCH: ITS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Church is not a building. Rather, it is a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds, whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ were also committed to loving and caring for each other and to bringing blessing to the area in which they lived. Life Church (Central England), its trustees, eldership and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, for it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world whose aims and values are rooted in New Testament. The vision is to see the people of Peterborough and elsewhere come into this experience of knowing Jesus as their Lord, Saviour and friend.

Life Church (Central England) is a member of the Evangelical Alliance and is a Relational Mission Church which is part of Newfrontiers, a family of churches both here in the UK and overseas that share similar values and objectives.

The trustees take very seriously their responsibilities to ensure the proper management and administration of the charity. To this end, they work closely with the core leadership team, whose responsibility it is to govern the life and teaching of the Church. Strict financial controls are in place and exercised by the trustees, including the monitoring of all income and expenditure against agreed budgets.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

CHURCH MEMBERS

Seeing the above aims and objectives fulfilled is impossible without the work and devotion of each Church member. We are therefore especially thankful for all of those who work so conscientiously and sincerely, often privately or behind the scenes and perhaps even without due recognition. Their service and the part they play towards seeing the Church's vision realised cannot be overstated. Also, the Church's financial support is almost entirely down to the generous and sacrificial giving of its members, for which we praise God.

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2021 REVIEW

During 2021 Life Church continued to operate under Covid-restrictions which impacted our church community ongoingly. The first term was marked by leadership developments as one of our elders retired and two new elders were appointed. The second season was marked by further leadership developments as we announced that our current team leader will be sent out to plant a church in the Netherlands in 2022. Also a scheduled team leader sabbatical took place and the team led into transition to in-person meetings together. The third term was marked by fruitful preparation for transition and succession. At the end of 2021, as trustees, we look back grateful and encouraged by the resilience of the church community, staff, volunteers and leadership team as we navigate through a pandemic and leadership transition. We continue to be attentive to the ongoing work required to regain momentum as we come out of this season of transition.

Life Church continued to reach out to support those in the community around us - through our connections with local schools - with food hampers and holiday activity packs for struggling families.

With such quickly changing dynamic the year is best described by dividing it into thirds.

JAN-APRIL

The first term of the year was marked by some key leadership developments. After a long season of service Phil Angell stepped back as elder at Life Church. At the same time, we saw two new elders being appointed; Paul Graham and Phil Bowyer. With Paul Graham coming on staff our operational capacity increased and Phil Bowyer started his part-time employment overseeing Life Groups. We continued to meet online during the Covid-pandemic and saw new momentum developing by using multiple online platforms, which increased visibility. New children's and youth work initiatives took place through online programs and events, led by our interns Joe Oldfield and Nathanael Grenfell. Participation continued with just under 200 attenders on average. Even an online week of 24-7 prayer took place. Life groups continued to meet online. We continued to press into our building project pursuing a building on Cowgate, which sadly did not materialize.

MAY - JULY

The second term of the year was marked by further leadership developments as we announced a leadership transition. In 2022 we plan to send out our team leader to plant a church in the Netherlands. Online momentum started to decline with prolonged Covid-restrictions and hinderance in engaging with new attenders. Attendance dropped to just under 175 attenders on average. Wouter Vertegaal took a scheduled 4month sabbatical during this term. A series of successful Easter events took place including a Good Friday service, a GLO Easter party and an Easter Sunday service. Also, a new building project option was pursued at Fletton Quays, but sadly no winning bid was gained.

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SEPT - DEC

The final term presented some difficulty for the church. The transition to in-person meetings was not a strong one. The transition was impacted by several things. First of all, the transition had to happen during Sabbatical season. Secondly, our previous venue at the Thomas Deacon Academy was no longer available, therefore we had to revert to multi-services at our less suitable community centre in Fletton. Thirdly, due to the prolonged online season it proved difficult to help people engage in-person again. Momentum dropped to under 125 attenders on average. In the midst of this we continued our transition preparation and with the help of Daniel Goodman on behalf of the Relational Mission team, a suitable candidate was selected for the role of Team Leader in the person of Luke Sears who will start introductions with the church early 2022. Our interns Joe Oldfield and Nathanael Grenfell transitioned to placements in children's and youthwork with Life Church for the coming 3 years alongside degree courses in Mission & Ministry. Tola Ayeni joined our team as new Life Money manager. Further in-person activities and events took place such as; Lifetots, a week of prayer and fasting, a GLO in the dark party and our first weekend away with 125 people attending.

COVID-19

In March 2020 the charity took steps (in line with government advice) to help contain the outbreak of COVID-19. This included the temporary suspension of all physical gatherings and the charity has had to curtail, or change, how it operates; the charity has been able to continue some of its activities using online media and returned during 2021 to limited in-person activities. The trustees are monitoring income and expenditure and, if it becomes necessary, will take measures to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the charity's free reserves.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year income reduced by £664 to £259,115, and expenditure increased by £49,496, to £249,550. As a result surplus for the year decreased by £50,159, to £13,165 and the charity's net assets increased by the same amount. Net current assets increased by £14,209, to £270,776. The funds held by the charity at the end of the year totalled £454,187 (2020: £441,021) of which £ 16,732 (2020: £25,008) was restricted in use.

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GRANTS POLICY

Given as deemed appropriate to a range of Christian organisations approved by the Trustees. Including but not restricted to close partners in Zimbabwe, Mozambique & Serbia who work to help with relief for the poor through church ministry.

RESERVES POLICY

The Board of Trustees has established a policy whereby free reserves held by the charity should be maintained at three months' committed expenditure. This would equate to approximately £55,000. Funds above this level are being held pending plans for church property to be determined in the foreseeable future. The current level of unrestricted cash held £202,294 (2020: £213,996)

RISK MANAGEMENT

All major insurable risks are subject to normal Churches and employers' insurance. Any contractual risks are reviewed before being entered into, so as to ensure they could not significantly impact upon the Church's ability to fulfil its objective. The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Paul Graham

P Graham (Chair)

Date: 16/09/2022

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021 on pages 7 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 9 - 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Lisa Darby ACA

For and on behalf of:
Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
London
EC1Y 8AB

Date: 21/09/2022

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Notes	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	231,422	23,118	254,540	253,756
Investment income		21	-	21	152
Other trading activities		3,936	-	3,936	4,816
Government CJRS Grant		-	-	-	745
Other income		619	-	619	310
Total Income & endowments		235,998	23,118	259,116	259,779
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	3	193,144	13,979	207,123	159,532
Grants payable	3c	21,412	17,415	38,827	36,922
Total expenditure		214,556	31,394	245,950	196,454
Net income / (expenditure)		21,442	(8,276)	13,166	63,325
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		21,442	(8,276)	13,166	63,325
Total funds brought forward		416,013	25,008	441,021	377,696
Total funds carried forward		437,455	16,732	454,187	441,021

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account required by the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 9 - 14 form part of these accounts.

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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	5	183,411	-	183,411	184,454
Current assets					
Debtors due within one year & prepayments	6	53,598	-	53,598	21,297
Debtors falling due after one year	6	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	7	202,294	23,487	225,781	239,005
		<u>255,892</u>	<u>23,487</u>	<u>279,379</u>	<u>260,301</u>
Current Liabilities					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	1,848	6,755	8,603	3,734
Net Current Assets		254,044	16,732	270,776	256,567
Net Assets					
		<u>437,455</u>	<u>16,732</u>	<u>454,187</u>	<u>441,021</u>
Unrestricted Funds				437,455	416,013
Restricted Funds				16,732	25,008
Total Funds	9			<u>454,187</u>	<u>441,021</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st December 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

Paul Graham

P Graham (Chair)
Company number: 5267786

16/09/2022

Date

Charity number: 1111146

The notes on pages 9 - 14 form part of these accounts.

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

1. Accounting policies

a) The accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention, in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014; and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, as there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue. Based on the adequacy of the charity's reserves as at the balance sheet date, along with their knowledge of the charity's ability to meet bills, payments and other liabilities as they fall due, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The following are the accounting policies which have been applied in dealing with material items:-

b) Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items). Facilities, services and goods donated for the charity's own use are recognised as income when receivable at their value to the charity.

The charity has relied significantly upon volunteers in carrying out all of its activities during the year. In accordance with the SORP, the role of volunteers has not been recognised as income from donated services in the accounts.

c) Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

d) Unrestricted funds are donations and other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds. Restricted funds are to be used for specified purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criteria is identified to the relevant fund.

e) Tangible fixed assets (over £1,000) are capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over the following period to reduce the cost to the expected recoverable amount:

- Buildings - 50 years (The land element of value is not depreciated)
- Furniture & Equipment - 4 years

f) The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

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- g) The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.
- h) The company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by the FRS 102 SORP and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement for the year.

2. Voluntary income

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Gifts and offerings	196,912	23,118	220,030	220,633
Tax recovered	34,510	-	34,510	33,123
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	<u>231,422</u>	<u>23,118</u>	<u>254,540</u>	<u>253,756</u>

3. Charitable activity

a) Direct charitable costs

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Church activities & events	3,165	13,841	17,006	4,959
Children's work	2,572	138	2,710	2,784
Youth work	72	-	72	56
Visiting preachers	2,064	-	2,064	1,399
Staff costs	140,624	-	140,624	109,937
Hire of premises	1,833	-	1,833	5,298
Utilities	5,104	-	5,104	4,124
Repairs & maintenance	1,757	-	1,757	1,304
PA & music	6,039	-	6,039	5,073
General expenses incl travel & subsistence	2,482	-	2,482	4,597
Leadership development incl training, sabbaticals and meetings	13,438	-	13,438	6,738
	<u>179,149</u>	<u>13,979</u>	<u>193,128</u>	<u>146,269</u>

b) Support & Administration

Office costs	5,466	-	5,466	3,043
Insurance	1,741	-	1,741	2,002
Legal and professional fees	1,227	-	1,227	3,189
Independent Examination fee	1,800	-	1,800	1,800
Depreciation	3,615	-	3,615	3,149
Bank charges	146	-	146	80
	<u>13,995</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,995</u>	<u>13,263</u>

Combined charitable activity cost

	<u>193,144</u>	<u>13,979</u>	<u>207,123</u>	<u>159,532</u>
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c) Grants payable

Relational Mission (formerly New Frontiers International)	9,900	-	9,900	12,800
Overseas Missionary Support (Individuals):				
Europe	1,412	-	1,412	1,200
Africa	3,600	17,416	21,016	16,622
Life Community Trust (see note 11)	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Other gifts	1,500	-	1,500	1,300
	<u>21,412</u>	<u>17,416</u>	<u>38,827</u>	<u>36,922</u>

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4. Staff, pastoral support & trustees

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Gross wages, salaries & benefits in kind	127,268	-	127,268	97,997
Employer's National Insurance costs	5,517	-	5,517	5,819
Pension costs	7,839	-	7,839	6,120
Total staff costs	140,624	-	140,624	109,936

For the year the charity employed 3.96 full time equivalent members of staff (2020: 3.1). Some of its activities are carried out by volunteers.

No employee earned at a rate in excess of £60,000 p.a. (2020: None)

Remuneration payable to key management (excluding trustees) amounted to £12,569 in the year (2020: £16,256). Key management is considered to cover church leaders directly employed by the church.

During the year, trustees Paul Graham and Wouter Vertegaal were paid £37,973 (2020: £13,445) and £45,005 (2020: £45,426) respectively for pastoral services supplied to the church; as permitted by the governing document.

During the year a gift was paid to the Trustee Phil Angell of £1,500 from monies raised by the congregation as he retired from his pastoral duties in January 2021 (2020: £nil)

No other trustees were reimbursed expenses during the year (2020 - none).

The total amount of donations received from trustees was £30,117 (2020: £27,611).

In addition the following related parties were employed by the company and received the appropriate remuneration for their services:

Mr H Graham £6,962 (2020 - £6,808), Mr S Tucker nil (2020 - £4,030) and Mrs S Vertegaal £5,024 (2020 - £4,999)

All of the above figures include salary and employer's pension contributions as appropriate.

Fees payable to Stewardship, other than for the independent examination totalled £nil (2020: £nil).

5. Tangible fixed assets

	Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Total 2021 £
Equipment			
Cost or valuation, 1 January 2021	200,000	21,501	221,501
Additions during the year	-	2,572	2,572
Cost or valuation, 31 December 2021	200,000	24,073	224,073
Accumulated depreciation, 1 January 2021	18,000	19,047	37,047
Charge for the year	2,000	1,615	3,615
Accumulated depreciation, 31 December 2021	20,000	20,662	40,662
Net book value, 31 December 2021	180,000	3,411	183,411
Net book value, 31 December 2020	182,000	2,454	184,454

6. Debtors & prepayments

	2021 £	2020 £
Income tax recoverable	49,762	15,746
Sundry debtors	-	484
Prepayments	438	2,659
Agency amounts due from Life Community Trust	3,398	2,409
	53,598	21,297

Agency funds:

	Balances Jan 2021 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Balances Dec. 2021 £	Balances Dec. 2020 £
Transactions on behalf of Life Community Trust	2,409	3,601	2,612	3,398	2,409
	2,409	3,601	2,612	3,398	2,409

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7. Cash at bank and in hand	2021 £	2020 £
Charities Aid Foundation	201,475	221,122
Barclays Bank plc	24,276	17,402
Cash in hand	30	480
	<u>225,781</u>	<u>239,004</u>

8. Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals	8,603	3,734
	<u>8,603</u>	<u>3,734</u>

9. a) Funds	Balances Jan 2021 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balances Dec. 2021 £	Balances Dec. 2020 £
<i>RESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
Mission Support & Projects	25,008	23,118	31,394	-	16,732	25,008
	<u>25,008</u>	<u>23,118</u>	<u>31,394</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,732</u>	<u>25,008</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	416,013	235,998	214,556	-	437,455	416,013
	<u>416,013</u>	<u>235,998</u>	<u>214,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>437,455</u>	<u>416,013</u>
TOTAL	<u>441,021</u>	<u>259,116</u>	<u>245,950</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>454,187</u>	<u>441,021</u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets £	Bank & Cash balances £	Other net assets £	TOTAL £
Restricted funds	-	23,487	(6,755)	16,732
Unrestricted funds	183,411	202,294	51,751	437,455
	<u>183,411</u>	<u>225,781</u>	<u>44,995</u>	<u>454,187</u>

The restricted funds represent monies specifically given for the support of mission activities and the Contented Fletton community project.

9. b) Funds at 31st December 2020	Balances Jan 2020 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Balances Dec. 2020 £	Balances Dec. 2019 £
Mission Support & Projects	27,024	14,992	17,008	-	25,008	27,024
	<u>27,024</u>	<u>14,992</u>	<u>17,008</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,008</u>	<u>27,024</u>
<i>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</i>						
General Fund	350,672	244,787	179,446	-	416,013	350,672
	<u>350,672</u>	<u>244,787</u>	<u>179,446</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>416,013</u>	<u>350,672</u>
TOTAL	<u>377,696</u>	<u>259,779</u>	<u>196,454</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>441,021</u>	<u>377,696</u>

The assets and liabilities represented by the various funds are as follows:

	Fixed assets £	Bank & Cash balances £	Other net assets £	TOTAL £
Restricted funds	-	25,008	-	25,008
Unrestricted funds	184,454	213,996	17,562	416,013
	<u>184,454</u>	<u>239,004</u>	<u>17,562</u>	<u>441,021</u>

The restricted funds represent monies specifically given for the support of mission activities and the Contented Fletton community project.

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10. Events since the year end

None

11. Relationship with Life Community Trust

This is a separate registered charity (Life Community Trust registered number 1153808) which has its own set of trustees, whom are also the trustees of Life Church (Central England). As the Life Community Trust trustees are the same as the trustees of Life Church (Central England), Life Community Trust is classed as a related party. All transactions between the two charities have been separately disclosed in the above notes to the accounts.

LIFE CHURCH (CENTRAL ENGLAND)
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities with Comparatives
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

12.	Note	Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
		2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
	2	231,422	238,764	23,118	14,992	254,540	253,756
		21	152	-	-	21	152
		3,936	4,816	-	-	3,936	4,816
		-	745	-	-	-	745
		619	310	-	-	619	310
Total income and endowments		235,998	244,787	23,118	14,992	259,116	259,779
EXPENDITURE ON							
	3	193,144	155,311	13,979	4,221	207,123	159,532
	3c	21,412	24,135	17,416	12,787	38,827	36,921
Total expenditure		214,556	179,446	31,394	17,008	245,950	196,453
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		21,441	65,341	(8,276)	(2,016)	13,166	63,325
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
		21,441	65,341	(8,276)	(2,016)	13,166	63,325
Net movement in funds		21,441	65,341	(8,276)	(2,016)	13,166	63,325
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		416,013	350,672	25,008	27,024	441,021	377,696
Total funds carried forward		437,455	416,013	16,732	25,008	454,187	441,021

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.